

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification under the heading of 'REFERENCE TO CROSS-RELATED APPLICATION" (paragraph 0001), please amend the continuation data as follows:

This application is a continuation-in-part of Application No.

10/241,609 filed on September 10, 20012002, pending.

In paragraph [0035], line 3, please delete the first occurrence of the term "swaged" as follows:

~~swaged~~ swaged into aluminum (Al) or nickel (Ni) plated Al